



Agenda Item: III.E.1.

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RE: CEASE AND DESIST LETTER

Dear Ms. Byerly:

The Board of Nursing has received information that you have been representing yourself as a *Certified Nursing Assistant when you applied for employment as a CNA at Waypoint Senior Care & Consulting in Scottsdale, Arizona. On January 29, 2014, you submitted an application to the Board of Nursing for certified nursing assistant (CNA). However, on January 18, 2014 and again on March 15, 2014, you failed to pass the CNA written and manual exam. Successful passing of the exam is required prior to being granted CNA certification. As of this date, you have not been granted a CNA certificate.*

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1666(A) (3): (A) It is unlawful for a person not licensed or certified under this chapter to: (3) Represent or use any title, abbreviation, letters, sign, card or device to indicate that the person or any other person is a certified pursuant to this chapter.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1649: Only a person who is currently certified by the board to practice as a nursing assistant shall use the title "certified nursing assistant" and the abbreviation "CNA".

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1667(2): A person is guilty of a class 6 felony who: (2) Engages in any conduct prohibited in section 32-1666.

The Arizona Board of Nursing demands that you immediately cease and desist implying to the public of Arizona that you are a Certified Nursing Assistant.

Be advised that the Board, will forward your case to the Office of the Attorney General for review for potential criminal charges.

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If you have any questions regarding our investigation of the complaint, please contact Dolores Hurtado, Senior Investigator, at (602) 771-7845.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Joey Ridenour in cursive script.

Joey Ridenour, R.N., M.N., F.A.A.N.
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